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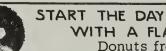


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GRANGE MEETING

Mattapoisett Grange held its bi-monthly meeting last Thursday night with the worthy master, Susan Bence, presiding.

A fine report of the sunshine work was given by the chairman, Mrs. Etta Kellish. Christmas cards were sent to the members living out of town, and the shut-in members were remembered with Christmas gifts. Boxes were sent to the Grange boys who are in the service, Randy Randall and Richard Rawcliffe.

A report of the Junior Grange Christmas party was also given.

It is with regret that the officers of Mattapoisett Grange will not be able to fill the chairs at New Bedford Grange Monday night, January 16th, for their anniversary, as has been the custom for many years.

During the business meeting, plans were made to have a workshop day Saturday, January 14th. Members are to be at the hall at 2 P.M. with pails and cleaning cloths.

Articles were brought in for the grocery basket to be awarded January 19th at the anniversary meeting. More articles are needed.

Mary Alcobia received the lecturer's march prize. The lecturer's program was presented by Doris Fearing and the youth committee.

A humorous reading was given by Edward Alves, a radio advice from 3 channels was given by Corrine Lawrence, Christine Bence







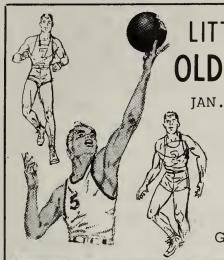


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The candles were lit by Edward Alves for Love, Corrine Lawrence, friendship; Rebecca Day, cooperation; Christine Bence, neighborliness and Susan Bence, appreciation.

A new Year's prayer by Doris Fearing completed the program.

Plans for the 70th anniversary are about completed. Members were reminded of the necessity of the sale of tickets for the catered supper by William Smith, who distributed tickets. A complete turkey dinner will be served. Reservations must be in by January 14th, this Saturday. You may contact Lemuel LeBaron

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A fine program will be presented at 7 P.M. following the supper. Don't forget the big whist party at 1:30 P.M. January 19th, that will start the anniversary activities.

This Grange was organized in 1897, has had 70 years of continued activity and has received many honors from the State Grange during its life.

Guests were present from Acushnet, Rochester and Smith Mills Granges.

WOMAN'S CLUB MEETING

The January meeting of the Rochester Woman's Club will be held Wednesday, the 18th, and will feature a program to be presented by Mrs. George E. Church, chairman of the Department of Public Health. Guest speaker will be Mrs. Lionel Sequeira, from Marion, who will speak on "Visiting Nurses' Association and Home Health Care Under Medicare". Hostesses will be Mrs. Ainsley White, chairman; Mrs. Robley Buckman, Mrs. Kenneth Winslow and Mrs. C. Rodman Doane.

Mrs. Everett L. Hardy, club president, will hold a meeting this Wednesday, January 11th, at 7:30 P.M., at her home on Mattapoisett

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Two festive Yule events were held at the club house in December -- the annual Christmas party for Rochester children and the Christmas dinner and party for members and their guests.

Mrs. Church was chairman for the children's party which this year was attended by 125 small fry. She was assisted by Mmes. Greenwood Hartley, Jr., Albert Jenney, Irving Ellis and C. Condit Peirce. The young guests were entertained by magician Armand J. Landry of New Bedford, Santa presented gifts to all and refreshments were served.

Mrs. Margaret Benner was in charge of arrangements for the members' Christmas dinner, assisted by Mrs. Raymond King. They served a delicious smorgasbord to eighteen members







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and guests. The tables were tastefully decorated with white tapers, madonna and greens, and pine cone wreath nut cups.

Those attending were Mmes. Bernice Hardy, Dorothy Buckman, Anna White, Ruth Davoll, Shirley Reed, Anita Bernier, Janice Beaulieu, Patricia Jenney, Betsy Peirce, Katherine Hartley, Gwendolyn Perry, Katherine Church, Margit White, Barbara Hartley, Shirley Hartley, Jane Ellis, Mrs. Hardy and Mrs. King. Members enjoyed singing traditional Christmas carols, ending with a friendship circle. At a short business session, a donation was made to the American Field Service Chapter at Old Rochester Regional High School.

Mrs. Irving Ellis, chairman of the Raymond C. Hartley Scholarship Fund, has distributed the 1967 community birthday calendars. The picture used this year is one of the old grist mill situated at the junction of the Sippican

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River and Leonard's Pond on Mary's Pond Road in Rochester. In the foreground is the river with a small footbridge crossing in front of the dam and showing the herring weir. This is the last of the many mills that have stood at this Sippican mill site by Leonard's Pond which was quite an active center in years past. At one time in 1821 near this point there was also an iron works which included a forge, a trip hammer shop and a foundry. Older residents can remember when the grist mill was in active use during World War I. also a blacksmith shop and a school.

Since 1945, the Hartley Scholarship Award has benefited 33 Rochester high school graduates. The 1966 recipients were Miss Heidi Hartley of Hartley Road, now attending the University of Massachusetts; Miss Karen Chase of Rounseville Road, Stonehill College; Robert Lawrence of Hartley Road, Southeastern Massachusetts Technological Institute; and Wayne Lawrence, East Coast Aero Technical School.

MEDIUS ALTUS MEETING

Beth Roylance led the worship service Sunday night at the meeting of the Medius Altus Fellowship of the Mattapoisett Congregational Church. It was voted to buy books for the children's ward at Tobey Hospital, Wareham. Serving on the committee for the purchase of the books will be Beth Roylance, Steven Heath, Peter Trow and Susan Mouse.

For the program, the Rev. Frederic E. Rey-



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nard spoke to the group about the church. He named the four most important parts of a church - pulpit, baptismal font, pews and confirmation table.

Next Sunday will be Recreation Night when members will go bowling, meeting at the Bowl Mor Alleys at 6 o'clock P.M.

JUNIOR HIGH STUDENTS TO PRESENT MUSICAL The seventh and eighth grade students of the Music Department of Old Rochester Regional High School have been working very hard at



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The cast includes: Daniel Briggs, the professor; Nancy Gibbs, Janette; Linda Perry, Roberta; Susan Wing, Susan; Lynne Gilbert, Rastus; Cindy Thompson, Teen; Linda Abronski, Neen; Toya Doran, Teng Selah; Stephanie Laurence, Amah; Elizabeth Simon, Miss Perri Winkle; Ricky Pursley, Policeman Perry; Stephen Lyon, Policeman Winkle; Alexander Race, sheriff; Scott Pare, plain clothesman; and Benjamin Johansen, Andrew. The chorus will be 7th and 8th graders who comprise the gypsy and artist colonies.





Tickets are now on sale at Tinkhams in Mattapoisett, Brownes in Marion and Lloyds Market in Rochester.

You may also get tickets at the door the day of the performances or by contacting Lauree-ann Empey at 758-2380.

LAMP SHADE WORKSHOP

The Marion Garden Club will hold a lamp shade workshop on Monday, January 16th, beginning at 10 A.M. at the home of Mrs. Andrew M. Patterson, 9 Vine Street, Marion.

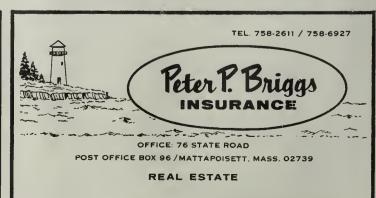
Those participating will make either a fiber-glas lamp shade, decorated with dry materials, or a cut-design lamp shade. Each participant should bring lamp shade forms or rings, tweezers, scissors, ruler, pencil, Duco or other household cement and 24 snap clothespins. Those working on cut-design lamp shades will also need an exacto-type knife. Decorations for the fiberglas lamp shades should be pressed dried flowers, grasses and leaves.

Box lunches should also be brought.

FINE ARTS MEETING

The Fine Arts Group of the Mattapoisett Woman's Club will meet on Wednesday morning, January 18th, at 10 o'clock at the home of the chairman, Miss Lydia LeBaron Walker, 24 North Street. The subject for consideration will be The Italian Renaissance, its painters and sculptors.

While research is not required of the mem-





bers, those attending will gain in interest by bringing three choices of names, one at the beginning, one in the middle and one at the close of this period - easily obtained by consulting any encyclopedia, or any history of art available through library sources.

Fine Arts Group and other club members will kindly advise their hostess of their coming by calling 758-2102. Coffee will be served. Attendance at this meeting will be of great value to those who take the Museum trip being planned for later in the year.

TRAFFIC LIGHTS TO BE REVISED

Mattapoisett Selectmen have been advised by letter of traffic signal changes which will be made to conform with Federal standards. The Route 6 and North Street lights will be revised with the installation of larger lenses.

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Notice - 1967 shellfish licenses may be obtained at the Town Hall, Selectmen's Office, at any time now.

CONGRESSMAN IN MATTAPOISETT

Congressman Hastings Keith (R-Mass.) visited Mattapoisett last Wednesday at the Town Hall. Selectman George White and several residents of the town greeted the Congressman. He was in Mattapoisett from 3:15 to 3:45 P.M.

SCOUT NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION MEET.

The regular meeting of the Mattapoisett Neighborhood Association of Girl Scouts will be held Tuesday evening, January 24th, at 6:45 P.M. in the parish hall of the Congregational Church. A pot-luck Supper will be served and each member is requested to bring either a main dish, salad or dessert for six. Any registered adult, including leaders, assistants, troop committee members of Brownies, Juniors Cadettes or Seniors, is urged to attend. Plans are to be discussed for an all-troop activity in the spring plus previously unannounced Council sponsored activities for all age levels. Reserve the date and plan to attend. Anyone not called for a reservation by Saturday, January 21, should contact Mrs. George Silsby, Neighborhood chairman.

CHORUS FORMING FOR CLUB PROGRAM

A choral group is being formed to take part in the "Show & Tell" program to be held in March by the Mattapoisett Woman's Club. Members who are interested and like to sing are invited to join the group by calling Mrs. Charles Adams, chairman, at 758-2105.

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VOTER REGISTRATION

February 14th is the last day that new residents may register to vote for the town election and town meeting. The Town Clerk's office at the Mattapoisett Town Hall will be open until 10 P.M. on this date. New voters may also register at regular hours: Monday through Friday, 9 to 12 and 1 to 3. Also, Saturday, February 11th, from 12 noon to 10 P.M.

TOWN CENSUS

The annual census in the Town of Mattapoisett is now being taken for residents of 20 years or older. Residents are asked to cooperate with the census takers who are Mrs. Clifford I. Tripp, Jr., Mrs. Robert Silveira, Mrs. Lloyd Haskell and Thomas Brennan.

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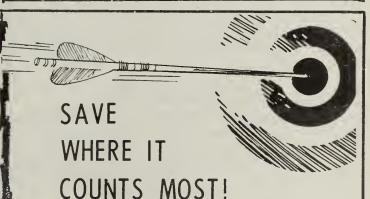
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TUNIOR GRANGE MEETING

Mattapoisett Junior Grange will hold its meeting this Friday night, January 13th, Dues must be paid, to receive the new annual word from the worthy master, Mark Harris.

Pictures will be shown by Mr. William Smith, a member of the Subordinate Grange, during the lecturer's hour.

ELECTED CERES IN SIPPICAN POMONA

Miss Susan Bence, master of Mattapoisett Grange, was elected and installed to the office of Ceres in Sippican Pomona No. 31 last Saturday night when the Pomona met as quests

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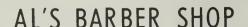
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Mrs. Lemuel LeBaron and Mrs. Rebecca Downing also attended the meeting.

ARCH BRIDGE ACCIDENT

Mattapoisett Town Counsel Leonard E. Perry has advised Selectmen that a settlement of \$1,500. has been made for repairs to the Arch Bridge on River Road. The bridge was damaged when hit by an automobile recently.

CELEBRATED ANNIVERSARY

Mr. and Mrs. Hudson E. Hardy, Sr. of Fairhaven Road, Mattapoisett, celebrated their 42nd wedding anniversary on January 12th with friends.

FIELD GUIDE TO BIRD WATCHING

The prospective or bona fide Audubon Society card carrier is as identifiable as the species he lures or trails in his unquenchable quest for the feathered fascinators. He no doubt began with a handful of crumbs.. then graduated to regular bird seed...and, if caution has not prevailed in this insidious pastime, may have led to wholesale orders of cashew hearts from S.S. Pierce. Conversation has become limited in scope and is in fact largely comprised of paraphrases of, and familial references to, Roger Tory Peterson. Tree limbs in a bird watcher's yard did not

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become bare in the autumn. Fallen leaves have been replaced by a dense growth of contrivances of metal, plastic, wood and glass.

There are degrees of involvement. This writer prefers to watch whatever comes into view from the comfort of a warm kitchen. On December 26th, the more ardent and adventuresome members of this fraternity swarmed over fields, woods, and swamps for the annual Audubon Society bird count. The Christmas tally is one portion of the Society's invaluable contribution to conservation. As Rachel Carson emphasized in her important work, "The Silent Spring", birds are an integral part of nature's balance. Personally preferring the beauty of finches and cardinals or the merry antics of the ubiquitous chickadees, we are apt to be ungracious to the platoons of starlings which sweep clean our feeders. Before reaching for the rifle, however, remember that starlings reward us in other seasons by being one of the few species equipped (and willing) to eat Japanese Beetle grubs. Even the noisy bluejay serves his purpose: depending upon the



message of his alarm, smaller birds either flee from a prowling enemy or freeze into a motionless position to elude the hawk. At the sound of the jay's all-clear, activity resumes. A guileful character, he has been known to call a scramble just to gain private use of the feeders.

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ance of nature as well as warning bird-lovers which species may need special protection. Had such information been available several decades ago, measures to protect the Heath Hen - once indigenous to this area - could have been instigated in time to prevent its extinction. (The last such bird was seen on Martha's Vineyard in 1930.)

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vate the beginning bird fancier. It is a happy reflection on human nature that it is instinctive for us to help small and seemingly defenseless creatures. And a good thing, for it is not the nest robbers, cats or severe weather which takes the heaviest toll: it is lack of food. The problem can only increase as our megropolis unceasingly encroaches on natural feeding areas. A second inspiration is the possibility of luring a wider variety of species to the feeder ... which leads to proferring a wider variety of food. (The hobby is now becoming expensive.) By now the first cardinal has appeared in all its incredible and incomparable beauty, and a towhee unable to make the trip south has become a dependent. And le't's be honest -- even the selfless act of feeding feathered waifs is not without its spirit of competition ... luring the more colorful species away from the neighbors is fair. (Not discussed, but fair.)

The greatest joy for all birdwatchers, no matter how experienced, is the sight of a rare or particularly beautiful bird. Columbus or Sherlock Holmes couldn't have known a more exciting or rewarding moment. Past years have brought a few surprises to this backyard, but probably the most momentous was a goldencrowned sparrow - common on the West Coast, but seen fewer than 20 times in eastern North America; a bird termed by Peterson in his "Field Guide to the Birds" as an "accidental", the "rarest of rarities", a bird which shouldn't occur in the region at all. And even though the cardinals have been with us for four years



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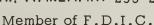
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Whether you are a kitchen-window watcher or the noble sort who seeks out birds in their own environment, we are hoping you might find an area listing of what-has-been-seenwhere informative and interesting. We'll need your help. It would be appreciated, however, if the lists or news flashes could be mailed to the Presto, Box 184, or dropped off at the office at Mechanic Street, rather than telephoned. Who knows? Perhaps if we unite we could convince the powers that be that what the Great Society really needs is a tax exemption for bird food!.

It is hoped that this Field Guide to Bird-Watchers will help you in identifying the species - and please remember to be kind A.H.S. to them.

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The new members were appointed now by the request from the committee so that they may start making plans now for the Little League season.

NOMINATION PAPERS

Nomination papers have been taken out in Mattapoisett by the following: David N. Haley, reelection; and Gilbert P. Alves, Selectman; Allen Sherman, reelection, treasurer and tax collector; John D. Gibbons, reelection, assessor; Clifford I. Tripp, Jr., Paul M. Kelley, Jr., Ralph E. Wordell, and Anthony Secia,

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